

Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of 2002 Biennial Regulatory Review -
Review of the Commission's Broadcast Ownership Rules
and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202
of the Telecommunications Act of 1996,
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking,
MM Docket No. 02-277, (rel. Sept. 23, 2002)

To: The Secretary, FCC Commissioners, and Chief, Media Bureau

This comment is in reference to Docket No. 02-277, the Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules. I strongly believe that the FCC should retain all of the current media ownership rules now in question. The purposes served by these rules remain valid. Deregulation of other industries has had disastrous consequences to the public interest, and dropping rules limiting the establishment of local media monopolies will clearly limit the competitive diversity of ideas and opinions required for an informed electorate in a republican democracy.

Thank you,